## \$32,300 in federal grants to purchase safety equipment

Burlington County - Congressman John Adler today announced more than \$32,000 in federal funds for Lumberton Fire Company # 1. The grant is intended to support the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters.

"Our firefighters put their lives on the line everyday to protect our communities," Congressman Adler said. "Burlington County residents deserve to get their fair share of federal dollars to keep them safe."

Lumberton Fire Company #1 plans to use the funds for a diesel exhaust emissions removal system. The emissions removal system will help clean the air in the fire station and make it safer for our local firefighters.

"This funding will help support the brave men and women who serve and protect our community," said Chief Jim Rossell of Lumberton Fire Company # 1. "Congressman Adler has been supportive of our local emergency response personnel and we look forward to our continued work together."

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency awarded this grant under the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program. These funds will enhance the ability of fire departments to attain and maintain 24-hour staffing and to assure that our communities have adequate protection from fire and fire-related hazards.

Last year, Congressman Adler hosted several workshops to ensure local public safety departments were informed about the federal grant process. He also voted to pass the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act which provides \$800,000,000 for Assistance to Firefighters Grants. In addition, Congressman Adler supported the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which provided \$210,000,000 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) construction grants.

Congressman Adler recently announced more than \$169,000 for local Moorestown firefighters and nearly \$9,000 for the Vincent Fire Company.